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Senate Bill 494 (Substitute S-1 as reported)
House Bill 4377 (Substitute S-1 as reported)
Sponsor: Senator Bruce Caswell (S.B. 494)
Representative Tim Kelly (H.B. 4377)
House Committee: Regulatory Reform (H.B. 4377)
Senate Committee: Regulatory Reform

CONTENT

House Bill 4377 (S-1) would repeal Article 23 of the Occupational Code, which regulates professional community planners; requires the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA) to issue a registration to an individual applying for registration as a community planner if he or she meets certain criteria; and provides for a Board of Professional Community Planners.

The bill also would amend the Code to delete a provision under which the term of office of a member of that Board begins on July 1. In addition, the bill would delete community planners from the list of licenses or registrations that are not subject to requirements for LARA to act on an application within a particular time frame.

Senate Bill 494 (S-1) would repeal Section 23 of the State License Fee Act, which sets the following fees for a person registered or seeking registration as a professional community planner under Article 23 of the Occupational Code: an application processing fee of \$35 through September 30, 2015, and \$30 after that date; a supplemental application processing fee of \$20; a \$100 examination fee for the Michigan portion; a \$25 examination review fee; and a \$50 annual registration fee.

The bills are tie-barred.

MCL 338.2223 (S.B. 494)
339.303a et al. (H.B. 4377)

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bills would have an indeterminate fiscal impact on the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs and no fiscal impact on local units of government. To the extent that the loss of revenue from the fees currently paid by community planners was less than the administrative savings achieved from not regulating the profession, the bill would have a minor positive fiscal impact on LARA.

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